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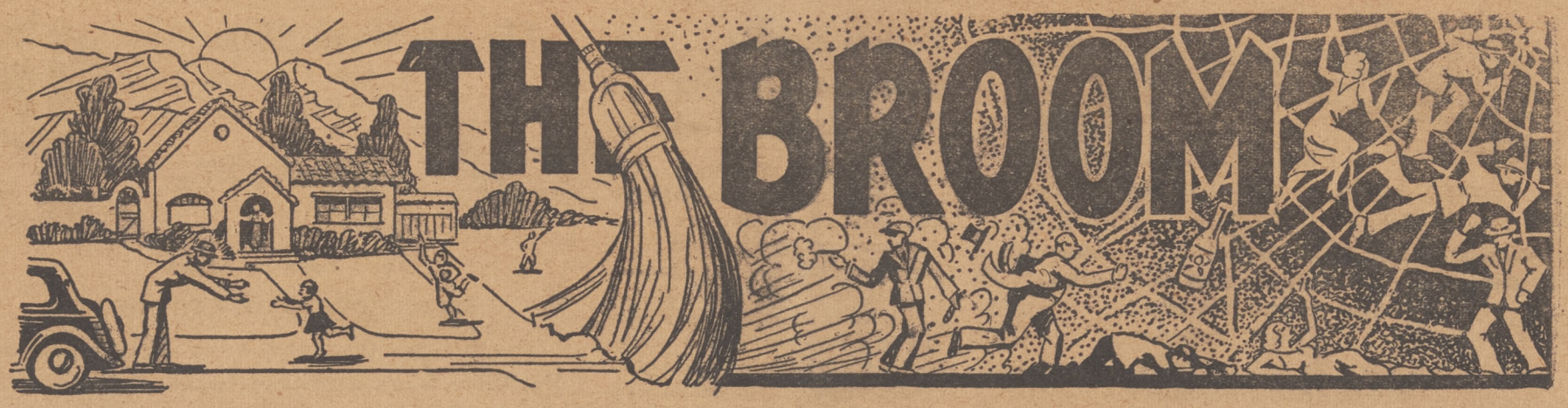

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"You Are Looking Well"

With this issue I am resuming the editorship of THE BROOM, for a little while at least, before I am leaving again for other shores, as my presence is required. .

I know we are mutually interested to be informed what impression we are making upon each other. As I walked upon the streets of San Diego and through various buildings and offices, delivering copies of the new issue of THE BROOM to my old customers, most of you remarked how well I looked, in fact that I looked better than I used to.

It is only natural that the older I get, the wiser I become and wisdom improves one's appearance. I have been buried alive and learned to get closer to God, you all notice that in my looks. I have more poise and more power. I have been advanced from a two by four weekly editor to a national figure.

You all must realize that it takes more courage and greater powers of resistance to resist an internal enemy than to slaughter an external enemy on the fields of battle. The foreign enemy is simply shot down, the enemy within, who is one of us, has to be handled through legal processes and in the first instance his crime has to be well established, that takes time and a corpus delicti. I am the corpus delicti.

But I am delighted to be back in California and San Diego. Of course, I have to disappoint you as you have disappointed me. I don't feel at home in San Diego. This city dared not get up on its hind legs and free me when I was jailed. You lost your claim upon me as one of you. Now I belong to the nation and the world at large. I shall do my work wherever my presence is required. This paper will continue and my contributions will appear in its pages regardless of where I happen to be, and that will make it even more valuable as a source of information, for I dare speak the truth and as I grow wiser I learn the various ways in which one may speak the truth even confronting the mighty burocrats of this world who take oaths to uphold the constitution merely to take hold of official power to sabotage that very constitution.

But even though you lacked in courage and initiative to get me out of jail, you have been very generous in supporting me financially once I was out of jail. I have been living without worry or fear of what tomorrow may bring, as I well earned it, returning from the dead who are buried alive. And as this case proceeds in the courts, the trial may last in Washington, D. C. from 3 to 12 months, which means that my friends will have to finance my living expenses and those of two D. C. attorneys for that period of time, if we are to put up an effective defense of — THE REPUBLIC—, for I symbolize the Republic now, and am not a mere private individual. What can happen to me, can happen to any one of you and you are merely safeguarding your own rights when you safeguard mine. I bear the brunt and the least you can do is insure that I am free to stay out of jail while the battle for the Four Freedoms and the Bill of Rights is raging on the home front.

What the C stands for

The first initial in my name stands for Constantin, but grandma says it stands for Conceit, with a capital C, and grandma knows, for she stood by me many a time when I felt blue and out of sorts. Grandma, for your information, is a sweet lady who has implicit faith in me and helps build up my morale. She has lived a long time and seen a lot of people pass in review. But she is proud of me nevertheless, for I have something to be conceited about. I never gave in. I drew the fire upon myself, unafraid of death or jail and now the pattern is becoming so clear.

That is the inevitable result when you dare stand with the truth. The adversary, for a while, is able to fool and confound the minds of the multitude, but as you don't give ground, finally the whole scheme reveals itself, piece by piece and putting the jigsaw pieces together, there it stands out plainly.

Why I Need a Room

Most people don't realize that I am not a married man. It is quite advantageous to stand alone when one has to face the kind of music I am facing and by not being married I am the only one who takes the consequences of whatever hardships there be.

During my stay in San Diego I would like to have a furnished room, elegantly if possible, and kitchen privileges.

It is hard to find at present and, of course, some people understandably might not want my presence. But as long as this is still the U. S. A. perhaps I do have a right to live and sleep even though I am a thorn in the side of my enemies.

It might be queer, but God still rules supreme and time does tell the story.

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To the glory and honor of the American Bar it must be recorded here that its duly elected president, George Maurice Morris, Esq., dared stand up for our form of government, and in fulfillment of his oath, he stepped in and publicly announced that he had satisfied himself that I was being persecuted, and he wrote his own personal check for the bail bond premium and guaranteed my integrity and my appearance, to the satisfaction of the broker who wrote my bond which effected my release from the D. C. jail on Jan. 13.

Morris is, in private life, one of the outstanding lawyers in the financial district of the capital. He wrote me in a letter, among other things, that he won't stand by and let me be persecuted. His attention was called to my plight by Wallace Hamilton, a former San Diego newspaperman. Thus both the newspaper and the legal professions saved the day and the honor of their calling. With such men to help me I am not afraid for the future of the Republic.

Invasions of The Home Had Been Foretold

A man in clothing resembling a uniform, wearing a star on his coat and a badge on his cap, announced himself to a Gary housewife as an inspector from the O. P.A. and demanded admission to search her home. He said the OPA had been informed that she was hoarder and that it was his duty to establish the truth or falsity of the charge. The housewife admitted him and two assistants. Only then did the supposed OPA snoopers identify themselves as robbers. They tied up the housewife & her maid, cracked a safe, and escaped with $20,000, the life savings of the housewife's father.

When the OPA specified penalties of up to 10 years in prison and a $10,000 fine for failure to declare stores of rationed foods, it invited this sort of thing. Recently snoopers without warrants invaded homes in Baltimore, Md. The householders remembered enough of Leon Henderson's threats and had heard enough other buocrats sound off to expect their privacy to be violated. They may have heard that a home was safe from unreasonable search and seizure by provision of the Constitution. They may have known that the law required issuance of a warrant before a search could be made. But they were no longer certain that these ancient rights and immunities still applied.

Under the New Deal, even before the war, the people had become habituated to administrative tyranny. When war came they saw government by law yield to a concept of government by executive decree. Every administrative agency developed a whole body of law all its own. The people no longer knew where their rights began or ended. They were so conditioned to violation of their liberties that any impostor with a uniform and a badge pushing his way into their homes seemed plausible. It would be unbelievable if we didn't see the evidence before us.

—Chicago Tribune.

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In an exchange we read of Norwegian farmer who was notified by the little Nazi dictator in his community that he was not turning in his quota of eggs. The Norseman replied he took the matter up with his hens, but they refused to comply with the demand, so he had executed them. The farmer was jailed.

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We, the People, are the Government of the Unitd States of America

"You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." —Jesus.

If you have taken an oath to uphold, protect and obey the Constitution of these U. S. A., and defend it with your life and substance, against all enemies, whomsoever, foreign and domestic, then you had better know what you have sworn to do.

An oath is the first and last tie that binds man to God, and through it, to keep faith with his fellow covenanters. Neither of the administrative branches has authority to supercede this oath and twist its meaning to suit their own schemes. The constitution speaks for itself, it does not change its wording or meaning with every political election. It is a covenant entered upon by we, the people, among ourselves, in good faith. We, the people, are the government, the sovereign government, of the states and of the union of the states. We laid down the LAW in the constitution and neither congress, nor the president nor the supreme court has the authority of going behind this LAW.

Our form of government is a **republic,** not a democracy. We have inalienable rights of which we may not be deprived as individuals. The majority may be swayed at times to give vent to impulses contrary to the LAW as established in the constitution, and as a result the individual's unalienable rights, God-given rights, are threatened, but the constitution stands in the way and protects his individual sovereignity.

As sovereigns we came together and covenanted among ourselves what our form of government should be. We placed that contract before the various states for ratification and in it **reserved all our rights and** privileges not delegated to various agents thru the constitution. Our agents are the officials and representatives. They are not the government, they are our hired hands and we may and must fire them whenever they step out of line.

In these U. S. A. we have all the opportunity to perfect an ideal government where man may live in a paradise, but still we cannot get something for nothing.

Men are only free to the extent that they pay their debt, exercise their responsibilities, never shirk their duties and are not afraid of hard toil. But when men prefer to booze and dissipate and spend their leisure times destructively instead of building up their resources, the parasites step in and take control over them. This has happened to us and now we must turn over a new leaf and resume our responsibilities of citizenship unless we prefer to face the same fate as Germany, Russia, China and Japan.

Restore Private Enterprise and Win Peace: Senator Taft

CHICAGO — Restoration of an administration in harmony with the ideals of private initiative and enterprise is the only guarantee of a post-war America of peace, Sen. Robert Taft (R., O.) has stated in a nation-wide broadcast of University Round Table. Maynard C. Krueger of the university shared the broadcast with Sen. Taft on the topic. "Is This A Conservative War?"

Sen. Taft disregarded the war time opportunism of the Roosevelt administration in attempting to impose the so-called four freedoms on other peoples.

"In Pureto Rico we have spent more than 100 million dollars, yet we have not freed those people from want or the fear of want," he said.

Calls It "Conservative War"

Sen. Taft outlined the war aims by defining the war as "a conservative war—with our first aim to win it— and then to preserve peace for the United States in the future".

To this Krueger disagreed, insisting the "war should not be a conservative war or we shall lose it". He cited Wendell L. Willkie's opinion to back up his contention.

Sen. Taft, in rejoinder, said, "It is easy for Willkie to make up themes in an ivory tower" while the war leaders of the United States are collaborating with Franco in Spain, with practical men in North Africa, and with the British in India without regard for the pretensions of the Atlantic Charter's annnounced aims.

Favors Life Saving Moves

"I say if we can save 50,000 casualties in North Africa by sending gasoline to Spain, I favor that,' said Sen. Taft. "We should subordinate everything to winning the war."

Taft said New Dealers are "running the war," and cited the influence of Felix Frankfurter in appointments to posts of responsibility.

Challenging Krueger's demand for social experiments during the war years, Sen. Taft said there is a rising trend against the New Deal due to the greatly increased regulation of civilian life.

The roving reporter, a member of the panel on the program, cited a high "government official" as believing the conservative swing in the nation's voting was due to "war prosperity". He quoted the official's belief that a New Deal would be produced in America should industry collapse after the war and great unemployment prevail. The reporter also quoted Sen. Robert La Follett (P., Wis.) as believing the conservative trend was due to meddling of New Dealers with civilian life.

Shuns "Cradle-Grave" Plan

Taft defined the "cradle to the grave" social security pronouncement of last week from the White

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The Sun Work Shop

Good THOUGHT

Good WORD

Good DEED

"In hoc signo vinces."

By C. Leon de Aryan

RESPONSIBILITY OF KNOWLEDGE

"Father, forgive them; they know not what they do!"

But there is no forgiveness when you knew what you were doing.

As soon as one starts the discipline of breathing in 7 seconds and out 7 seconds, for 3 minutes at a time and not more, nor oftener than 3 times a day, before meals, regardless of whether one stands, or walks, or lays down,—a great responsibility is yours. Your brain clears and you begin to SEE. Not clairvoyantly, but simply clearly: You begin to THINK and therefore you SEE clearly in your mind where before you did not see at all or were confused.

These breathing exercises help to hold THOUGHT long enough for the braincells to form themselves in response so that the THOUGHT remains clearly with you, then you SEE and know. Previously the cells never formed sufficiently to catch the WHOLE thought and so you were left confused. It's simple, like time exposure in photography, or developement of exposed film.

There is absolutely nothing supernatural or mysterious about. I am merely explaining to you how your brain works and what influence blood feeding of the brain has upon your intelligence reception. These exercises are nothing but what supercharges are to carburetors and combustion motors. But never excercise more than 3 minutes at a time or more than 3 times a day, at least not for the first 3 years, otherwise you may derange your brain and go insane. You may enlarge blood vessels or burst a few.

As soon as you begin to SEE, then you are CAUGHT by the truth. You cannot escape the responsibility of DOING the things you know to be true in preference to your previous habits, or to conventional custom. You become a pioneer whether you like it or not; you HAVE to live up to what you know to be true or you start turning SICK and miserable, and deformed.

A renegade on the truth is the most miserable creature. You tasted the marvel of clearsight, you saw the beauty of truth, you saw the blessings to follow when practiced, but you reneged. You became a criminal against the truth. This is the unforgivable sin against the "holy ghost". Against the whole spirit of truth, against your own wholesomeness.

Henceforth, once you start breathing the divine, creative rythm you realize that there is no turning back. You will understand why I cannot turn back. Whether they agree or disagree, whether they praise or jail me, once I see Principle clearly, I cannot help but must follow it and learn all the tortous means by which a foolish people attempt to thwart the truth and subvert their own individual and national destiny. But the miracle of it all is that if you don't reneg but carry on, and the smear and persecution be damned, if you dare them do their worst, your inner senses begin to function and your thought and your feelings FEED you internally, so that your spirit soars above all negativity and whatever you suffer is turned to your advantage and growth. The negative experiences are not YOUR sins, but the sins of the world against you and they BOND themselves to you in debt and will not be free till they, individually and nationally, paid it back to you with compounding interest to the last farthing.

Rep. Smith Scores International Twin-Headed Banking Plan

by George Rothwell Brown in L. A. Examiner

WASHINGTON— Congress and the people were warned by Representative Frederick C. Smith of Ohio, against the double-headed international currency plan currently being promoted from London and Washington.

In a short speech in the House, (last week) the Republican member of the Bankhead and currency committees, severely criticized the proposed $5,000,000,000 international stabilization fund as a secret New Deal scheme, to the dangers of which the country immediately should be aroused.

Later, in a statement, Mr. Smith, who is one of the financial and monetary authorities of the House, declared that if this plan were put into operation it would mean the eventual international control of the $23,000,000,0000 gold hoard of the United States, now buried underground at Fort Knox, Ky., and the utlimate domination by the same international forces of the American banking system.

To Give Analysis

Taking the floor briefly to demand why this international plan has been shrouded in such secrecy, Mr. Smith said that next week he intended to bring the House a complete analysis.

"Who wants to get control of our gold hoard?" demanded Mr. Smith.

"What are the real forces back of this sinister scheme?

"Why did Mr. Morgenthau and his interests he represents in setting up this plan, take the rest of the world into their confidence and fail to let our own people know anything about it?

"I condemn this act, as I consider it as being underhanded and wholly unfair to the American people.

"I shall do all within my power to inform my people of the peril that is involved in this secret New Deal scheme."

"John Maynard Keynes, the British economist," said Mr. Smith, in his subsequent statement, "was one of the original advocates of the devaluation of the gold dollar, and in all probablity he has much to do with bringing about the devaluation of our own gold dollar.

"He has been one of the most powerful influences in the inauguration of the New Deal policies in the United States.

Editor's Note: Who owns the hoard of gold?

The world's gold hoard is owned by a handful of men, a private corporation, or cartel, nominally owned by many, in fact controlled by a few.

Our constitution provides that congress shall control the issue of money.

Is the Federal Reserve system owned and controlled by congress or the people of the U. S. A., or is the Bank of England owned and controlled by the people of England?

Both of them are privately owned and controlled cartels with a monopolly given by them by devious pieces of legislation.

The gold hoard in these U. S. A. was paid for with our tax monies, but has been placed at the disposal of the privately owned Federal Reserve Bank.

The Mayoralty Compaign

San Diego is to be congratulated that the final run-off camapign for the office of mayor resolved itself in a choice between Jim Abbey and Harley Knox. Both are men in the true sense of the word and not mere politicians for the sake of pelf and power.

Each has his own convictions by which they dare stand and whichever is finally chosen will give his best for a good administration of our city. At least in the mayor's office San Diego has entered upon a better era in its administration.

Restore Private Enterprise and Win Peace: Senator Taft

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House as too "vague" a suggestion for social reform to merit comment and differed sharply with Krueger's scheme to use the "war to make major changes" in industry and the American way of life.

The senator pleaded a return to private enterprise throuout America, declaring it is evident that the New Dealers favor state socialism.

"Americans want jobs, they want security, they want peace, he said, "and the New Dealers' only solution for these wants is public spending."

The roving reporter decleared a poll of soldiers indicated their expectation that the government would furnish such jobs when the war is concluded, to which Sen. Taft replied: "Private business can provide those jobs. This is not the time to innovate. This is a conservative war and should remain such."

Taft pointed out that the United States is a war partner with Josef Stalin, President Vargaas of Brazil, and Generalissimo Chiang Kaí-shek of China, stating such alliances prover that "this is not a war for democracy."

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Cricket Club Dinner

March 13, 1943, Washington, D.C.

by Emelda Deshaies

Why, over at the Kenesaw,
The feast was loads of fun.
The lights were all so dazzling,
The chicken so well done.
Mr. Moffett was the toast-master,
And reeled off scores of jokes.
We all were quite hilarious,
You never saw such folks.
Gordon Wilkins talked on
"Speeches".
Nora Lyda spoke on "Lights".
Miss Marion spoke of courtesy,
And John R. Moore on "Rights".
The right to make a fortune,
The same as J. P. Morgan.
We can't do things like that these days,
Folks would all say it's "hoardin' ".
Faye Lacy told of salary cuts,
But "thinking with the heart",
Was bothering C. de Aryan
Who took the brain apart.
Miss Stegner gave some poetry.
Herb Marti gave his mite.
And J. H. Grubbs was fun,
We were laughing half the night.
And then of course, Jim Reilly,
The host, a humorist born,
I know he'll tell a funny tale
When Gabriel toots his horn.
He was so full of smiles and pleasantries,
For each and everyone.
If you miss the next big pow-wow,
You'll surely miss some fun.

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OUR GROUNDHOG WORLD

By GEORGE CARTWRIGHT

"America Is Not God"

The whole idea of America laying down the law to the world is fantastic. Every scheme of world domination by a single power has ended in a fiasco; and we should face a similar experience if we should ever be ill advised enough to try to force our will, or our philosophy of government, or our standards of morality on other countries. —Wm. Henry Chamberlain.

British War Profits

"Nobody in Britain is making a profit out of the war. Excess profits are taxed 100 per cent with a small refund after the war." When we see this editorial comment in papers, we wonder whether the writer is short on information or common honesty. In this war as in the last British holders of unused land pay no war tax on same. That land then and now rises in value with increased price of land products. Land monopoly in Britain and in Germany impoverished consumers so that, as Pres. Wilson pointed out, intensified trade rivalry produced World War I. Starvation of German people during the war and the victory terms, which broke Pres. Wilson's heart, made possible for Hitler and munitions makers to build up for World War II. Our monopolists of unused land, ore, oil, timber, business and home sites, as in Britain pay no war tax. If we get back of the Voorhis U. S. Constitution Amendment, we will be providing a remedy for the greatest curse inflicting humanity since 1702 B. C., the cause of all wars.

Another Interested In 'Citizens' Welfare'

Dear de Aryan:

Your letter of March 10th was gratefully received I assure you, and the clipping I hope will accomplish two purposes (that part which quoted me) gain you additional financial help and justify my attitude toward you.

I found myself intensely interested in the legal points of your case for reasons of greater import than just your welfare. I do not mean by that to minimize my interests in your welfare. But the points involved concern every citizen and his rights. A disparaging remark need not be seditious. It might be ill-advised and still not impinge on so grave a charge; and I can conceive of a remark being demoralizing—reprehensibly so—and yet not seditious. Sedition concerns itself with motive and attitude in their relation to human transition. And the motive must be considered in two ways, first from the standpoint of fundamental predisposition toward existing governmental form, and secondly from the viewpoint of ostensible purpose. For example, it might be the purpose of an editor to thwart an official action of which he thoroughly disapproves, and toward which end he is certainly entitled to some latitude without in the least rendering suspect his fundamental attitude toward God, man, law, country, although in the excitement, fears and hastes of wartime this important distinction may be glossed over with hot and impatient impugnment.

Be of good cheer, study the Fifth chapter of Mathew, strive for a long-suffering and kindly attitude toward all, laugh much, and when all else fails and the outlook is dark just go and do a kind act for someone without thought for your reward. It is one of the angels that set men free.

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PUTTING A STOP TO WITCH HUNTING

78th CONGRESS 1st Session **H. R. 2352**
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
March 31, 1943

Mr. Fish introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization.

A BILL

To amend title I, sections 1, 3, and 5, of the Alien Registration Act, 1940 (U. S. C., title 18, secs. 9 and 11).

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title I, sections 1, 3, and 5 of the Alien Registration Act, 1940 (U. S. C. title 18 secs. 9 and 11) be amended to read as follows:

"TITLE I

"Section 1. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person, with intent to undermine and impair the loyalty, morale, or discipline of the military or naval forces of the United States—

"(1) to make direct personal contact with and advise, counsel, and urge said armed forces to become rebellious, mutinous, or disloyal to the United States, or insubordinate to their officers; or

"(2) to distribute among the armed forces any written or printed matter which advises, counsels, or urges disloyalty, mutiny, or refusal of duty by members of the military or naval forces of the United States.

(b) For the purposes of this section, the term 'military or naval forces of the United States' includes the Army of the United States, as defined in section 1 of the National Defense Act of June 3, 1916, as amended (48 Stat. 153; U. S. C., title 10, sec. 2), the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard Naval Reserve, and Marine Corps Reserve of the United States; and, when any merchant vessel is commissioned in the Navy or is in the service of the Army or the Navy, includes the master, officers, and crew of such vessel.

"SEC. 3 (a) No person shall be convicted for conspiracy to violate the provisions of this Act unless the indictment alleges and describes every essential fact connected with the alleged crime as to time, place, participants, and circumstances, and alleges and describes a criminal overt act on the part of each of the alleged conspirators, showing direct contact with the military or naval forces.

"(b) No person shall be convicted under the provisions of this Act except after proof in court both of the conspiracy and of the criminality of the particular overt act alleged to have been committed by each defendant.

(c) No person may be tried under the provisions of this Act in any State or district other than where the criminal overt act is alleged to have been committed, as provided in amendment VI of the Bill of Rights, and in article III, section 2, of the United States Constitution."

"SEC. 5. (a) Any person who violates any of the provisions of this title shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than $500 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both.

"(b) If said violations shall have resulted in the desertion or rebellion of two or more persons, the offender shall be imprisoned not to exceed ten years or be fined not to exceed $5,000 or both. Intent of the alleged offender is to be determined not by inference but by direct words and action.

"(c) Nothing in the provisions of this title shall be construed to deny or abridge to any editor, writer, or public speaker the right of free political discourse and discussion, guaranteed to all American citizens by article I of the Bill of Rights.

"(d) No person convicted of violation of any of provisions of this title shall, during the five years next following his conviction, be eligible for employment by the United States, or by any department or agency thereof (including any corporation the stock of which is wholly owned by the United States).

"(e) PURPOSE and BASIC PRINCIPLE— The purpose of the provisions of this title is solely to protect the armed forces from unpatriotic and subversive agitation, and to guard free speech. It is not meant to deprive soldiers and sailors in the armed forces of the United States from a free exercise of speech, or from hearing and reading legitimate political discussions and criticisms of men and measures, which is the only way a republic has of eliminating evils in administration and thus of surviving internally. One may speak freely to soldiers and sailors, but they must not be advised to mutiny.

"(f) The provisions of this title are retroactive to December 8, 1941."

Editor's Note: This is an amendment to the "Smith Act" under which your editor was hauled to Washington, D. C., as a "fugitive" from that city where he had not ben since 1919.

democracy

By Charles H. Ingersoll

UNIONISM - COMMUNISM — TWINS

As imminent and terrible in their promise of destruction as are these two presently popular ISMS, it seems to me the time has arrived when attack on them should always include some measure of accounting for their existence. They are not mere growths—or phenomena—with no human cause: indeed had our educators, philosophers and scientists been as alert as everyone supposes they are we might have sidestepped them. Unions came with **the job** and the job came with the machine. And Marx, author of Communism, calls the machine (capital) the exploiter of both labor and consumer. Even if current objections to the isms are true, what shall be the method of dealing with their claims against the machine? And what shall the Peglers do with 27,000,000 (or is it 50,000,000 including Willkieites) who are **not indignant** at the unioneers and communeers: because they believe **there is** something wrong concerning capital: and that if capitalists are not smart enough to find and right it —'well, let them have what they are asking for!'

Roosevelt Jr. Hi School Spring Play

"Lost and Found" or "The Enchanted Wax Works", a two-act comedy with a setting of gala carnival grounds will be presented this Friday evening, April 16, at 8:15 by the students of the Roosevelt Junior High School in the school autditorium. There will also be two matinees at two p. m. on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, April 14th and 15th. Admission is 15c for the matinees and 25c for the evening.

Preceding the Friday evening preformance, all teachers will be in their classrooms at 7 p. m. to welcome parents and other visitors in connection with California Public Schools Week.

This all-school show includes folk dancing by the Physical Education Departments, songs by the Glee Clubs and Orchestra, and brilliant costumes and scenery by the art and sewing departments.

A Bill To Make Tyrants

Joseph B. Eastman, the director of war transportation, has asked the 44 state legislatures that meet this year to scrap a number of restrictive regulations which, he says, are impeding war traffic. Included are speed limits, limits on size and weight of trucks, port of entry acts, and licensing provisions which in some states make group riding of passengers difficult.

Some of the regulations to which Mr. Eastman objects were as obnoxious in peace time as they are in war time and should long ago have been repealed. A case can be made for temporary suspension of other restrictions during war. On the other hand, the lifting of some of the regulations would open the way for abuses and destruction of highways. All this, is beside the point.

The method suggested by Mr. Eastman for relaxing the restrictions is so obnoxious that it should be rejected by every legislature in the country. Instead of dealing with specific abuses by statue, Mr. Eastman has asked the legislature to pass a so-called emergency transportation act which would confer on governors of the various states authority to suspend various traffic statutes by executive order. The bill would establish in the states the same kind of government by decree that in Washington is already a grave menace to our freedom.

The plea on which this is proposed is that of expediency. If, in the name of expediency, the legislatures can be persuaded to set up a lot of little tryrannies in the states, they will have given excuse for the edection in Washington of a great tyranny on a similar plea of expediency.

If specific state statutes impede war transportation, as some of them do, Mr. Eastman can and should ask for speciffic statutory repeal or suspension of those statutes. If he cannot point out what statutes needs to be relaxed, he has no case for relaxation, and under no circumstances has he a case for government by decree.

—Chicago Tribune.

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